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Group No.: 1636

Examiner: G. Leffers

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Sir or Madam:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

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Sir or Madam:

Please enter the following on the record in response to the above cited Office Action mailed on June 13, 2002. The response is timely since July 13th, 2002 was a Saturday.

REMARKS

The Examiner has stated that the application, as filed, is subject to a restriction requirement and requires an election of one of three claim groupings. The Examiner has divided the claims of the pending application into three groups that "... are biologically and functionally distinct from one another, and thus one does not render the others obvious."

Office Action, pg 2 In 10-11. Specifically, the Examiner suggests that Group I consists of Claims 1-5, 11, 12-19, Group II consists of Claims 6-8 and Group III consists of Claims 6-7 & 9-10. The Applicants elect, without traverse, to prosecute Group I. The Applicants reserve the right to request reconsideration of the restriction (e.g. dependent claims such as Claim 6) if the independent claims are found allowable. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone